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In re Accompanying Continuation Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b):

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SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above application as follows: